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# UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

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Appeal Number: 25-10834-C

Case Style: USA v. Allen Pendergrass

District Court Docket No: 1:17-cr-00224-AT-CMS-1

#### CRIMINAL DOCKETING NOTICE

The above-referenced appeal has been docketed in this Court. All documents filed in this appeal must include the Case Style and Appeal Number shown above.

### **Appellant Requirements**

Unless the following requirements have already been satisfied, within 14 days of the date of this notice the appellant MUST:

1. Unless counsel was appointed to represent the appellant, pay to the **District Court** the Filing Fee **OR** File a Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis (IFP) in the district court. See FRAP 3(e), FRAP 24.

If the filing fee is not paid and a motion to proceed IFP has not been filed in the district court within 14 days of the date of this notice, this appeal will be dismissed without further notice pursuant to 11th Cir. R. 42-1(b).

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If the district court has denied the appellant IFP status on appeal, the appellant has 30 days from the date of the district court's order to file an IFP motion in this Court. See FRAP 24(a)(5).

2. File in the **District Court** a <u>Transcript Order Form</u> or a certificate stating no transcripts will be ordered. <u>See</u> FRAP 10(b) & the accompanying 11th Cir. IOP.

If no transcripts are ordered, appellant's brief is due 40 days after <u>03/10/2025</u>, except as otherwise provided by the rules. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. Rules 12-1 and 31-1.

- 3. File a <u>Certificate of Interested Persons and Corporate Disclosure Statement (CIP)</u>. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. R. 26.1-1(a)(1).
- 4. Complete the Web-Based CIP (attorneys only). See 11th Cir. R. 26.1-1(b).

### Additional Appellant Requirements

- 1. Guilty Plea Issue: If any issue concerning a guilty plea will be raised, the appellant must ensure that the record includes the transcript of the guilty plea colloquy and any written plea agreement. See 11th Cir. R. 30-1(a)(13).
- 2. Sentencing Issue: If any issue concerning the sentence will be raised, the appellant must ensure that the record includes (a) the transcript of the sentencing proceeding, and (b) the presentence investigation report and addenda (under seal in a separate envelope). See 11th Cir. R. 30-1(a)(14).

#### Appellee Requirements

Unless the following requirements have already been satisfied, within 28 days of the date of this notice, all appellees participating in this appeal MUST:

- 1. File a <u>CIP</u> or a notice. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. R. 26.1-1(a)(3).
- 2. Complete the Web-Based CIP (attorneys only). See 11th Cir. R. 26.1-1(b).

#### Electronic Filing

All counsel must file documents electronically using the Electronic Case Files ("ECF") system, unless exempted for good cause. <u>Although not required</u>, non-incarcerated pro se parties are permitted to use the ECF system by registering for an account at <a href="www.pacer.gov">www.pacer.gov</a>. Information and training materials related to electronic filing are available on the Court's website.

## Obligation to Notify Court of Change of Addresses

Each pro se party and attorney has a continuing obligation to notify this Court of any changes to the party's or attorney's addresses during the pendency of the case. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. R. 25-7.

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## **Additional Information**

Rules, forms, and additional information, including a handbook for pro se litigants, can be found at www.call.uscourts.gov.

## **Attorney Participation**

Only attorneys admitted to the bar of the Court and attorneys admitted for a particular proceeding may practice before the Court. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. Rules 46-1, 46-3, and 46-4. You may look up your bar admission status at <a href="https://www.call.uscourts.gov/bar-admission-status-look">https://www.call.uscourts.gov/bar-admission-status-look</a>. The Application for Admission to the Bar and other forms and information can be found at <a href="https://www.call.uscourts.gov/attorney-forms-and-information">https://www.call.uscourts.gov/attorney-forms-and-information</a>.

All attorneys (except court-appointed attorneys) who wish to participate in this appeal must file an <u>Appearance of Counsel Form</u> within 14 days of the date of this notice. <u>See</u> 11th Cir. R. 46-6(b). Please also see FRAP 46 and the corresponding circuit rules.

## Note to Retained Counsel

Eleventh Circuit Rule 46-10(a) states, "Retained counsel for a criminal defendant has an obligation to continue to represent that defendant until successor counsel either enters an appearance or is appointed under the Criminal Justice Act, and may not abandon or cease representation of a defendant except upon order of the court."

#### Motions to Withdraw

Counsel who file a motion to withdraw from a criminal appeal must also comply with 11th Cir. R. 27-1(a)(7), (a)(8). In addition, a motion to withdraw as counsel stays only briefing on appeal; it does not stay other deadlines. See 11th Cir. R. 31-1(b).

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